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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO NATO: SCENARIO

REF: (A) STATE 57764, (B) USNATO 1325

1. THE FOLLOWING IS OUR PROPOSED SCENARIO FOR THE
SECRETARY'S VISIT TO NATO ON SATURDAY, MARCH 26:

NOON - ARRIVE BRUSSELS (ABELAG AIR TERMINAL) FROM ANDREWS. MET BY
AMBASSADOR STRAUZ-HUPE, AMBASSADOR AND MRS.
HINTON, CHARGE AND MRS. RENNER. PARTY
WILL ALSO BE MET BY BELGIAN PROTOCOL
OFFICIAL, AND WE SHALL REPORT HIS
NAME WHEN AVAILABLE.

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1205 - ARRIVAL STATEMENT, MADE TO ASSEMBLED PRESS AT
PLANE-SIDE.

1210 (APPROXIMATE) - DEPART AIRPORT FOR NATO
HEADQUARTERS ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR
STRAUSZ-HUPE.

1225 (APPROXIMATE) - ARRIVE AT E WING ENTRANCE,
NATO HEADQUARTERS, AND PROCEED TO

AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR STRAUZ-HUPE.

1242 - DEPART FROM THE AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE FOR SYG LUNS' OFFICE.

1245 - COURTESY CALL ON SYG LUNS, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR STRAUZ-HUPE. FOREIGN OFFICIALS EXPECTED TO ATTEND ARE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA AND SYG'S DIRECTEUR DU CABINET VAN CAMPEN (SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION). WE WILL NEED TO KNOW THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARY'S PARTY WHO WILL ATTEND, AS WELL AS NOTE-TAKER.

1255 - DEPART SYG'S OFFICE FOR COUNCIL CHAMBER.

1300 - NAC MEETING. IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE OTHER ALLIES WILL BE REPRESENTED BY THEIR PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES. AT THE MARCH 15 PERMREPS LUNCH, NO ALLY WAS AWARE OF ANY PERSONALITIES COMING FROM CAPITALS.

1500 (APPROXIMATE) - NAC MEETING ENDS. (COMMENT: NO FIXED TIME HAS BEEN SET FOR THE END OF THE MEETING. HOWEVER, THE LAST BRIEFING OF THE NAC BY SECRETARY KISSINGER RE A MOSCOW TRIP
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TOOK ONE AND THREE QUARTERS HOURS, AND WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD ALLOW A MINIMUM TWO HOURS FOR THE FIRST CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY UNDER THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. WE WOULD ESPECIALLY RECOMMEND CONCLUDING AT 1500 IF THE SECRETARY WISHES TO HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT 1505 FOLLOWING THE MEETING (SEE BELOW), IN ORDER TO AFFORD JOURNALISTS TRAVELLING WITH THE SECRETARY ABOUT ONE-HALF HOUR TO FILE AFTER PRESS CONFERENCE PRIOR TO A 1600 DEPARTURE. PRESS BUS COULD MOVE ACCOMPANYING PRESS CORPS FROM NATO HEADQUARTERS TO AIRPORT IN ABOUT TEN MINUTES.

1505 - SECRETARY MEETS WITH THE PRESS FOR 15 MINUTES IN NATO PRESS THEATER, A BRIEF WALK DOWN THE CORRIDOR FROM COUNCIL CHAMBER. WE RECOMMEND A PRESS CONFERENCE BECAUSE THERE WILL BE GREAT INTEREST IN THE SECRETARY'S FIRST VISIT TO NATO AND A PRESS CONFERENCE WOULD AFFORD A MAJOR OPPORTUNITY FOR PRESENTING ADMINISTRATION POLICIES TO

EUROPEAN AUDIENCES. MOREOVER, IT WOULD
REINFORCE TO EUROPEAN PUBLICS THE IMPORT-
ANCE THAT THE US ATTACHES TO THE ALLIANCE.

1520 - DEPART FROM PRESS ENTRANCE FOR ABELAG AIR TERMINAL,
ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR STRAUSZ-HUPE.
ARRIVE AT SECRETARY'S PLANE AT ABOUT 1530.
IF ARRIVAL AT THE PLANE PRIOR TO 1600 IS NOT
DESIRED, THE PARTY COULD RETURN TO THE
AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE BRIEFLY AND DEPART FROM
THE E WING ENTRANCE AT 1550.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM US (A)
WHICH MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARY'S PARTY WILL ATTEND
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THE CALL ON LUNS; (B) WHETHER THE SECRETARY WILL
WISH TO HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING THE NAC
MEETING, AND IF SO, WHETHER THE SECRETARY WOULD WISH
TO DEPART DIRECTLY FROM PRESS THEATER FOR PLANE. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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